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## SPECIFICATION FOR TOWING HOOK FOR USE BETWEEN TRAILERS OF UP TO 16 TONNES GROSS MASS AND TRANSPORT TRACTOR

### 0. FOREWORD

**0.1** This Indian Standard was adopted by the Indian Standards Institution on 31 December 1976, after the draft finalized by the Transport Tractors and Trailers Sectional Committee had been approved by the Marine, Cargo Movement and Packaging Division Council.

**0.2** The requirements of this standard, which relate only to vehicles used on the public highways, are intended to ensure the maximum degree of compatibility between commercial and government department standards.

**0.3** The material specifications are for the minimum qualities acceptable, and do not exclude the use of other materials provided that these are at least equal in quality so that road safety is not impaired.

**0.4** This standard should be used in conjunction with IS : 8274-1976\*. The hook has been designed to accommodate a drawbar eye of 51 mm internal diameter and 40 mm stock, or 76 mm internal diameter and 40 mm stock.

**0.5** The standard applies to connections to trailers of up to 16 tonnes gross mass. The specification for a towing hooks for connections to trailers of up to 35 tonnes gross mass is given in IS : 8300-1976† and for trailers of up to 5 tonnes gross mass is given in Indian Standard Specification for towing hook for use between trailers of up to 5 tonnes gross mass and transport tractor (*under preparation*).

**0.6** In the preparation of this standard, considerable assistance has been derived from BS AU 25 : 1964 'Specification for towing hook for use between trailers of 5-16 tonnes gross weight and towing vehicle', issued by the British Standards Institution.

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\*Specification for drawbar eyes and forecarriage pins for connection between trailers of gross mass above 5 and up to 35 tonnes and transport tractor.

†Specification for towing hook for use between trailers of up to 35 tonnes gross mass and transport tractor.

## **1. SCOPE**

**1.1** This standard specifies the basic dimensions and quality of materials for a towing hook and its mounting, for use in connections between a transport tractor and a trailer of up to 16 tonnes gross mass.

**1.2** The gross mass refers to gross laden train masses where more than one trailer is drawn.

## **2. MATERIALS**

**2.1** The hook shall be made from a material of quality not less than Grade C30 of IS : 1875-1971\*, in normalized condition.

## **3. DIMENSIONS**

**3.1** Dimensions shall be as shown in Fig. 1 and 2.

NOTE — The dimensions specified are based upon a forged hook, and have been calculated on the basis of the total yield strength being equal to two-thirds the gross mass being towed. It is necessary that any other parts not covered by this standard, connecting the coupling to the towing tractor shall have a similar strength.

## **4. DESIGN**

**4.1** An efficient safety catch, preferably of the automatic or semi-automatic type, shall be provided as indicated in Fig. 1 to prevent accidental detachment of the drawbar from the hook.

**4.2** The hook shall be so designed that a bar of 44 mm diameter, when held vertically, shall pass freely between the inside faces of the hook with the catch held back to clear (see Fig. 1).

## **5. MOUNTING**

**5.1** The hook shall be mounted with four bolts, 16 mm diameter at 100·0 × 100·0 mm centres.

**5.1.1** Bolts and nuts shall comply with precision grade of designation M 16 × 1·5 (P) of IS : 1364-1967†.

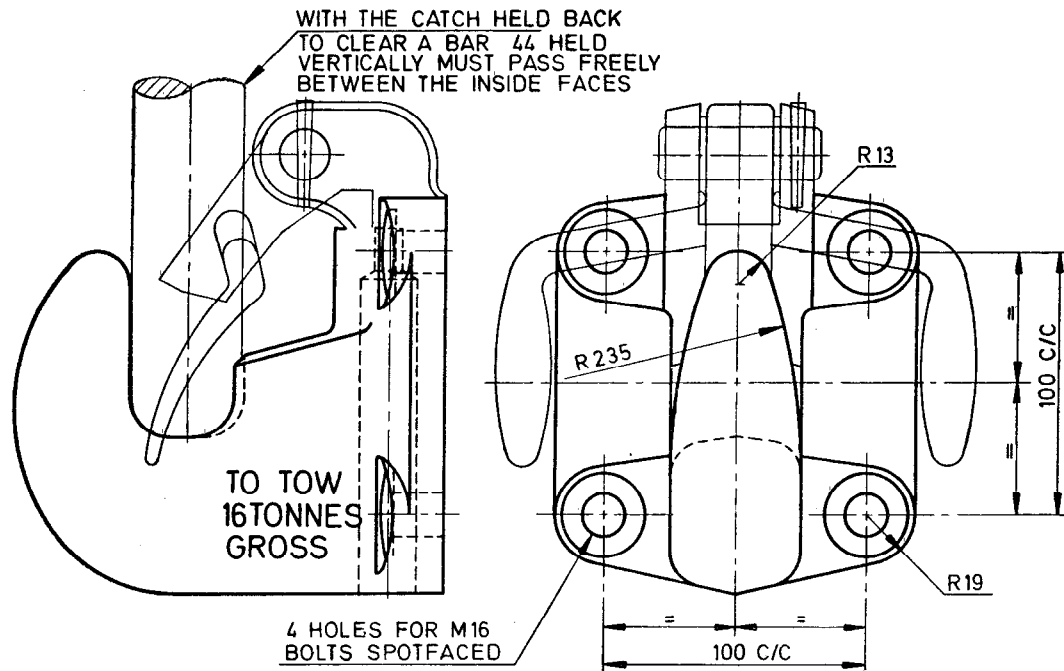
**5.2** The nuts shall be secured either by peening the end of the bolt or by fitting a positive locking device such as a safe locking nut or a slotted nut and split pin.

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\*Specification for carbon steel billets, blooms, slabs and bars for forgings (*third revision*).

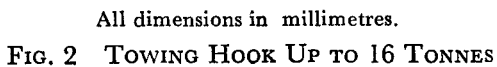
†Precision and semi-precision hexagon bolts, screws, nuts and lock nuts (dia range 6 to 39 mm) (*first revision*).





All dimensions in millimetres.

FIG. 1 TOWING HOOK, INDICATING SAFETY CATCH (UP TO 16 TONNES)



## 6. MARKING

**6.1** The following wording, in clear lettering 10 mm high, raised or stamped, shall be marked on each towing hook:

- a) ' TO TOW 16 TONNES GROSS ' on one side, and
- b) ' IS : 8299-1976 ' on the other side.

**6.2** In addition, the towing hooks shall also be marked at the appropriate place, the following information:

- a) Name or trade-mark of the manufacturer,
- b) Date or year of manufacture, and
- c) The country of manufacture.

**6.2.2** The towing hook may also be marked with the ISI Certification Mark.

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